Hello families and friends of the soldiers in Delta Company. First and foremost I would like you all to know that everybody is doing well. The soldiers are doing an excellent job in all that they are doing and home is always their mind. The soldiers are performing an amazing job each and everyday. The pace here lately has been very busy, but as any of your soldiers would tell you it makes the time pass by that much faster. We are at the point now in the deployment where we are starting to see the benefits of all the long days of patrolling.

Since last month there are a few soldiers we would like to recognize. The following have been promoted: SSG VIDAL, SGT SULLIVAN, SPC ROBINSON. SPC WHEAT has decided to continue his service for our country by re-enlisting this month.

The Battalion has also been accepting nominations each Friday for Hero of the Week. Thus far we have had two, and I am sure we'll have many more. SPC BARRETT and SGT MURIEL of our attached 3rd PLT have received top honors as to date. This is the second win for SGT Muriel who continues to do outstanding things for his platoon. These soldiers have been recognized by the Battalion Commander and given a certificate for their job performance.

Mid tour leave is going well. It is still the goal of this unit to ensure every soldier has the opportunity to this leave. At the rate we are going we should have the majority of the company completed with their leave by August. I know that some of the soldiers wanted to wait till later in the summer to take leave, but by waiting too long put them in jeopardy of not being able to take leave at all. I would rather have them take leave earlier than to loose it altogether.